

**CHAPTER NO. 690**

**SENATE BILL NO. 2616**

**By Crowe**

**Substituted for: House Bill No. 2687**

**By Curtiss**

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 4, Part 9, relative to lottery scholarship eligibility.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-918(a), is amended by deleting the second sentence in its entirety and by substituting instead the following sentence:

If, however, such student is separated from active duty under a fully honorable discharge before applying for a Tennessee HOPE scholarship, then the student shall apply for a scholarship within one (1) year of the date of separation from active duty under a fully honorable discharge or within seven (7) years of the student's date of entry into military service, whichever occurs first.


SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 49-4-918(d), is amended by deleting the subsection in its entirety and by substituting instead the following:

(d) This section shall not apply to any person whose discharge is not fully honorable. Discharges under honorable conditions and general discharges do not establish eligibility for a Tennessee HOPE scholarship under this section.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

**PASSED: May 6, 2004**

  
JOHN S. WILDER  
SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

  
JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

**APPROVED this 18<sup>th</sup> day of May 2004**

  
PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR